

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS  
AIR FORCE BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF MILITARY RECORDS

IN THE MATTER OF:

DOCKET NO: 97-01294

COUNSEL: NONE

OCT 22 1997

HEARING DESIRED: NO

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Applicant requests that his DD Form 214 be corrected to reflect award of the Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon and the Air Force Longevity Service Award. His request for award of the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award w/"V" and 1 Oak Leaf Cluster, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Palm and the Vietnam Service Medal w/3 Bronze Service Stars was administratively corrected by HQ AFPC/DPPRSO. Applicant's submission is at Exhibit A.

The appropriate Air Force office evaluated applicant's request and provided an advisory opinion to the Board recommending the application be denied (Exhibit C). The advisory opinion was forwarded to the applicant for review and response (Exhibit D). As of this date, no response has been received by this office.

After careful consideration of applicant's request and the available evidence of record, we find insufficient evidence of error or injustice to warrant corrective action. The facts and opinions stated in the advisory opinion appear to be based on the evidence of record and have not been rebutted by applicant. Absent persuasive evidence applicant was denied rights to which entitled, appropriate regulations were not followed, or appropriate standards were not applied, we find no basis to disturb the existing record.

Accordingly, applicant's request is denied.

The Board staff is directed to inform applicant of this decision. Applicant should also be informed that this decision is final and will only be reconsidered upon the presentation of new relevant evidence which was not reasonably available at the time the application was filed.

Members of the Board Mr. Wayne R. Gracie, Mr. Michael P. Higgins, and Mr. Kenneth L. Reinertson considered, this application on 30 September 1997 in accordance with the provisions of Air Force Instruction 36-2603, and the governing statute, 10, U.S.C. 1552.

*Wayne R. Gracie*

WAYNE R. GRACIE  
Panel Chairman

Exhibits:

- A. Applicant's DD Form 149
- B. Available Master Personnel Records
- C. Advisory Opinion
- D. SAF/MIBR Ltr Forwarding Advisory Opinion



DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE  
HEADQUARTERS AIR FORCE PERSONNEL CENTER  
RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE TEXAS



MEMORANDUM FOR AFBCMR

28 May 1997

FROM: HQ AFPC/DPPRA  
550 C Street West Ste 12  
Randolph AFB TX 78150-4714

SUBJECT: Application for Correction of Military Records (DD Form 149)  
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1. REQUESTED ACTION. Applicant requests his DD Form 214 reflect award of several decorations which were omitted.

2. BASIS FOR REQUEST. Applicant provided a copy of his DD Form 214.

3. FACTS.

a. Applicant believes he is entitled to the following awards and decorations which are not reflected on his DD Form 214:

- (1) Air Force Outstanding Unit Award w/"V" and 1 Oak Leaf Cluster.
- (2) Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal with Palm.
- (3) Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon.
- (4) Vietnam Service Medal should have "w/3 Bronze Service Stars."
- (5) Air Force Longevity Service Award.

b. Applicant was assigned to the 366<sup>th</sup> Security Police Squadron in Vietnam 4 Mar 69-6 Apr 70. While he was assigned to this unit, it earned the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with "V" and 1 Oak Leaf Cluster and the Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm. The unit participated in three campaigns. Therefore, the applicant is entitled to the awards and decorations in paragraph 3a(1), (2), and (4), above.

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c. Since the applicant was not on Active Duty for four years, he is not entitled to the Air Force Longevity Service Award. There is no documentation in his records, and the applicant did not furnish any, to substantiate his claim regarding the Small **Arms** Expert Marksmanship Ribbon.


4. DISCUSSION. The applicant's records were forwarded to the appropriate office to have those awards and decorations to which he is entitled added to his DD Form 214. He is not eligible for the Air Force Longevity Service Award, and we can not verify his eligibility for the Small **Arms** Expert Marksmanship Ribbon.

5. RECOMMENDATION.

We recommend disapproval of the applicant's request for the Air Force Longevity Service Award and Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon to be added to his DD Form 214.

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